Heart outfit."

lege man, stiffly.

inquired the girl.

Joplin."

"I assured you that the Centipede

"Isn't Mr. Speed's word sufficient?"

rest is due to the fact that Humpy

to the bustin' point, and-well, in

day of the race. However, if you are

broke to start with, I don't see how

you can expect to lose a great deal."

the onbearable contumely of losin'

would be bad enough, we have drawn

a month's wages in advance, and we

my watch, which was presented to me

by the officials of the Santa Fe for

killin' a pair of road-agents when l

and Speed regarded the lanky speaker

Miss Blake uttered a little scream.

"It's a Waltham movement, solld

"I bet my saddle," informed Carara,

eather wit' silver filagree. It is more

"Seems like Willie has made the

extreme sacrifice." Stover followed up

"While all our boys has gone the

limit, Willie has topped 'em all; he's

"Indeed! Is it a good weapon?"

"It's been good to me," said the lit-

tle man, dryly. "I took it off the quiv-

ering remains of a sheriff in Dodge

City, up to that time the best hip shot

laid a trembling hand upon his arm.

Speed felt a cold chill steal up his

"You see it ain't intrinsic value so

much as association and sentiment

honor, and Willie is gamblin' just as

"But I notice Mr.-Willie still has

"Sure I got it!" Willie laughed, ab-

ruptly. "And I don't give it up till we

looked more like a professor than

"Willie has reasons for his caution

J. Wallingford Speed, face to face

"I can't understand," he declared,

with a touch of irritation, "why you

should risk such priceless things up-

on a friendly encounter."
"Friendly!" cried Willie and Stover

Heart is just as friendly as a pair of

you up," added the latter.

"You set, it's a good thing we wised

Carara muttered flercely: "Senor,

"And is that Echo phonograph worth

which we respect," explained the

in his slow, soft dialect, "Stamp

dear to me than-well-I love it ver

gold case, eighteen jewels, and en-

was depity sheriff."

with new interest,

Wally.

bet his gun."

in Kansas,

spokesman.

lightly.

wild boars."

Centipede.

graved with my name."

"Missouri," said Willie.



thicket a hundred yards up the arroyo

and started briskly homeward, con-

cratulating himself upon the impulse

that had decided him to follow the

raining partners upon their daily rou-

ine. He made directly for the corral.

"Which I don't consider there's no

consideration comin' to him what-

ever," said Willie that evening. "He

"Now, see here," objected Stover.

he may be just what he claims he is.

nootin' around in the hot sun ain't no

"What about them empty beer

bottles?" demanded Willie. "No fel-

ler can train on that stuff. I went out

there myself and seen 'em. There was

"Mebbe Glass drank it, What I

laim is this: We ain't got no proof.

Presno is stuck on Miss Blake, and

"Then let's git some proof, and

"St. Senores," agreed Carara, who

"I agree with you, but we got to be

"-we can't go at it like we was kil-

Again the little gun man expressed

his opinion, this time in violet-tinted

profanity, and the other cowboys

"All the same he is a guest, and no

rough work goes. I'm in charge while

Retreated Cautiously From the Shel

ter of a Thicket.

Mr. Chapin is away, and I'm responsi-

"Senor Bill," Carara ventured, "the

fat yaquero, he is no guest. He is one

"That's right," seconded Willie.

"He's told us all along that Mr. Speed

was a Merc-ry-footed wonder, and if

the young feller can't run he had

Mr. Cloudy showed his understand-

ing of the discussion by nodding si-

"We'll put it up to him in the morn-

"If Mr. Speed cannot r-r-run, w'at

you do, eh?" questioned the Mexican.

at a loss for words, Mr. Cloudy stared

On the following morning Speed

sought a secluded nook with Helen.

the original four who had waited upon

rival. They came forward with grave

and serious mien, requesting a mo-

ment's interview. It was plain there

was something of more than ordinary

importance upon their minds from the

manner in which Stover spoke, but

when Helen quickly volunteered to

"Stay where you are; I have no se-

'You may fire when ready, Grid-

Still Bill shifted the lump in his

cheek, and cleared his throat before

"Mr. Speed, while we honor you a

heap for your accomplishments, and

crets from you," said he. Then noting

the troubled face of the foreman,

withdraw, Speed checked her,

quoted impatiently:

beginning formally.

Nobody answered. Still Bill seemed

ought to have told us."

ing," said Stover.

lently.

in' snakes. Mr. Speed is a guest here.'

had been an interested listener.

Willie grunted with disgust.

Simply because he don't go skally-

ain't acted on the level."

sign he can't run."

a dozen."

he's a knocker."

dam' quick."

areful-

joined in.

SYNOPSIS.

Cowbeys of the Flying Heart ranch are freartbroken over the loss of their much-prised phonograph by the defeat of their champion in a foot-race with the cook of the Centipede ranch. A house party is on at the Flying Heart. J. Wallingford Spred, cheer leader at Yale, and Culver Covington, inter-collegiate champion runner, are expected. Helen Blake, Speed's an others, becomes interested in the loss of the phonograph. She suggests to Jean Chapin, sister of the owner of the ranch, that she induce Covington, he lover, to win back the phonograph. Helen declares that if Covington won't run. Speed will. The Cowbeys are hilarious over the prospect. Speed and his valet, Larry Glass, trainer at Yale, arrive. Helen Blake asias Speed, who has possed to her as an athlete, to race against the Centipude man. The cowboys join in, the appeal to Wally, and fearing that Helen will find him out, he consents. He insists, however, that he shall be entered as an unknown, figuring that Covington till arrive in time to take his place. Fresto, give club singer from stanford university and in love with Helen, tries to discredit. Speed with the ladies and the cowboys.

CHAPTER VIII.

AWRENCE GLASS was be ginning to like New Mexico. Not only did it afford a tinge of romance, discernable in the deep, haunting eves of Mariedetta, the maid, but it offered an opportunity for financial advancement-as, for instance, the purchase of Willie's watch. This

timeplece cost the trainer twenty-one dollars, and he sold it to Speed for double the amount, believing in the luck of even numbers. Nor did young Speed allow his trainer's efforts to cease here, for in every portable timepiece on the ranch he recognized a menace, and not until Lawrence had cornered the market and the whole collection was safely locked in his trunk did he breathe easily. This required two days, during which the young people at the ranch enjoyed themselves thoroughly. They were halycon days for the Yale man, for From was universally agreeable, and seemed resigned to the fact that Helen should prefer his rival's company to his own.

As for Glass, be Mariedetta's capitulation to his employer, and wheezed merrily over the discomfiture of the Mexican girl's former admirers.

"She's a swell little dame," he confided to Speed one afternoon, as they lounged luxuriously in the shade at their customary resting place, "Yes, and I'm aces with her, too." They had set out for their daily run, and were now contesting for the seven-up supremacy of the Catskill mountains, Already Glass had been declared the undisputed champion of the Atlantic scoast, while Speed on the day previous had wrested from him the championship of the Mississippi valley.

"But Mariedetta is dark!" said the college man, as he cut the cards, "She of us." is almost a mulatto."

"Naw! She's no dinge. She's an Aztec, an' them Aztec's is swell people. Say, she can play a guitar like a

"Miss Blake told me she was in love with Carara."

Glass grunted contemptuously, "I've

got it on that insurrecto four ways. Why, I'm learning to talk Spanish myself. If he gets lossy, I'll cross one over his bow." The trainer made a vicious jab at an imaginary Mexican. "He ain't got a good wallop in him.

"I thought cowboys was tough guys," gloomily into space, and Willie ground continued Glass, "but it's a mistake. his teeth. That little Willie, for instance, is a lamb. He packs that Mauser for protection. He's afraid some farmer will but no sooner had he launched himself walk up and poke his eye out with a fairly upon the subject uppermost in his mind than he was disturbed by a corn-cob. One copper with a night-*tick could stampede the whole outdelegation of cowboys, consisting of fit. But they're all right, at that," he acknowledged, magnanimously. him that first morning after his ar-"They're a nice bunch of fellers when you know how to take 'em."

"The flies are awful today," Speed complained. "They bite my legs."

"I'll bring out a bath robe tomorrow, and we'll hide it in the bushes. wish there was some place to keep this beer cool." Glass shifted some bottles to a point where the sunlight did not strike them.

"I'm getting tired of training, Larry." acknowledged the young man, with a yawn. "It takes so much time." Glass shook his head in sympathy "Seems like we'd ought to hear from

Covington," said he. 'He's on his way, no doubt. Isn't is time to go back to the ranch?"

Glass consulted his watch. "No, w air't done but three miles. Here goes for the rabber."

> year than are turning to Christianity. There are 24,000,000 Mohammedans in Java. Mohammedanism is absolutely dominant in Persia. Today nearly all the sacred places named in the Bible are under Mohammedan rule. These are but a few instances out of many,

> > Message of Mars.

It is part of the very genius of life

ing to break through its shell and to sunshine-all the way from that to a mind striving to shatter the confinements of ignorance and a soul endeavering to beat down the forces of sin,

And with the word "war" so interpreted we shall be justified in saying of a man that the amount of his war spirit can be taken as a measure of his it is generally safe to infer that the

only 2 per cent. Many more natives | ings and strives to break down bar- | intrinsic efficiency. That efficiency he becoming Mohammedans every riers. From the unhatched bird seek can, of course, misuse. I mean only that the war spirit, the intensity of the emancipate itself into air, light and fighting temperament, is a true index of a person's capability of results. When you know how much environment a man can crush his way through, you know how much man there is .- Christian Herald.

rights to the throne to marry for love,

"We won that phonograph at risk of might make you stretch your legs some if you knew just exactly what life and limb," said Willie, doggedly "from the Centipede-" this foot-race means to the Flying

-and twenty other outfits, senor." "It's a trophy," declared the fore man, "and so long as it ain't where it cook would be beaten," said the colbelongs, the Flying Heart is in disgrace."

Stover bowed. "It had sure ought to ful!" cried the amailest of the trio an-"We're a joke to the whole be, and we thank you for them new grily.

assurances. You see, our spiritual on- state." "I know just how these gentlemen Joe's get-away left us broke, and we must feel," declared Miss Blake, tactbanked on you to pull us even. That fully, at which Stover bowed with

first experience strained our credulity grateful awkwardness. "And it's really a wonderful inwords of one syllable, we come from strument," said he. "I don't reckon there's another one like it in the world, leastways in these parts. "My dear sirs, I can't prove that you You'd ought to hear it-clear as are going to win your wagers until the bell-

"And sweet," said Willie. "God! It's sure sweet!"

"I begin to feel your loss," said "You ain't got the right angle on the | Speed gravely. "Gentlemen, I can only affair," Stover explained, "Outside of assure you I shall do my best." "Then you won't take no chances?"

twice to this Centipede outfit, which inquired Willie, mildly. You may rely upon me to take care of myself. have put it up. Moreover, I have bet "Thank you!" The delegation moved

> "What d' you think of him?" inquired Stover of the little man in glasses, when they were out of hear-

ing. "I think he's all right," Willie heattated, "only kind of crazy, like all east- riage. ern boys. It don't seem credible that no sane man would dast to bluff after what we've said. be'd be flyin' in the "No wonder you prize it," said face of Providence,"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Microscope in the Kitchen. The use of the microscope is recommended in the kitchen, if not of the ordinary house, at least of those having an army of servants and purchasing by wholesale. In hotels, boarding houses, hospitals, jails, its use in our complicated modern life is becoming essential, and the need is based upon the necessity of determining the degree of adulteration of food. The chof has no excuse for not knowing what he buys if he is provided with a

microscope. In starchy substances the adultera- nitely. tions will soon be revealed by the microscope if the grains of starch do not have the selfsame form in the spine, while Miss Blake went pale and potato and in rice. The same thing may be said of the spices. Pepper can be adulterated only with peas or ground beans, and this fraud also that leads to this interview," Stover may be readily detected. The rule continued. "It ain't no joke-we don't may be almost universally applied to joke with the Centipede-and we've all foods that pass through the kitchrelied on you. The Mex here would en, and especially the kitchens of the do murder for that saddle." Carara wealthy. Coffee under the microscope nodded, and breathed something in his | does not look like chicory in structure own tongue. "I have parted with my and chocolate made with peanuts does not look like pure chocolate.--Harper's Weekly.

Got in a Quiet Knock.

lose, neither. That's the under ter, he ran a joke column that is standin'." His voice was surprisingly till remembered among Eugene vetharsh for one so high-pitched. He erans.

"Miller," said an aged Eugenist, "used to like to roast the coal man. Thus, I remember how, in a description of a wedding, he once wrote:

"The presents offered the bride were unusually sumptuous and abunwith these serious-minded gentlemen, dant. Consipcuous among them was began to reflect that this foot-race a ton of coal. This won general adwas not a thing to be taken too miration and approval by reason of its quaint, old-fashioned massiveness, it coal of the present day."

Mrs. Knagg-If we women had the in a tone that made their listeners time to read the papers as you men gasp. "The Centipede and the Flying have we'd know just as much about politics and other things as you Mr. Knagg-But, my dear, you have

just as much time as L. Mrs. Knagg-Nonsense! I never have time enough even to get through works five year' for that saddle. I with the household department, the am a good gambler, si, si! but I keel women's page, the beauty expert, the somebody biffore I lose it to the fashion notes, the marriages, the di-

vorce news and the society column and

often have to skip the death records

all this?" inquired Helen. and the bargain advertisements.

BANDMASTER A REAL GENIUS

Clever Expedient Adopted to Keep Musicians on Their Feet for Patti Reception.

At Cheyenne, Wyo., the band from an army post had been engaged to play in honor of the visit of Adelina Patti and Etelka Gerster, many years ago.

Strange sounds came from the band and Patti asked Colonel Mapleson, her at the footprint in the sands. circle, so close together that they near." formed a solid bank, with the bandmaster in the center. Mapleson was about to part them to reach the bandmaster, when the latter begged him to the next four days?" had bee . on duty for thirty-six hours footprint. while we believe in you as a man and awaiting the company's arrival, and a champeen, we kind of feel that it saloons were numerous in Cheyenne, Monday, all day!"

none of the musicians could stand alone and he had adopted the expedient of standing them in a circle so that each would be supported by his fellows.

"If you take one away," said the bandmaster pathetically, "the whole lot will fall down."

Crusce's Problem.

Robinson Crusoe bent and looked impresario, to find out what the tune course," said he to himself, "this inwas. He found the band standing in a dicates that Friday is somewhere

Then his brow knit in perplexity. "But what in thunder am I going to do to keep the reader's attention for

desist and explained that as the band He began kicking sand into the "For this," he murmured, "this

nolle prosse.

When a royal prince renounces his

AROUND THE WORLD

ITEMS OF CURRENT INTEREST GATHERED FROM EARTH'S FOUR CORNERS.

ALL THAT IS GOING ON

Gist of Wack's News Stripped of Unnecessary Verbiage and Prepared or Quick Consumption by Busy People.

In an attempt to take the life of Mayor John Purroy Mitchel, Michael P. Mshoney, an old man, apparently irresponsible, fired into a group of three men seated in the mayor's automobile. The bullet entered the jaw of Frank L. Polk, corporation counsel, who was sitting next to the mayor.

Mrs. Martha Crews was sentenced to a life term in the penitentiary at Tompkinsville, Ky., for conspiring with her son, William Nuckols, in the murder of her husband, Graven Crews. Nuckols is a son of a former mar-

McKee Rankin, the veteran character actor, who was identified with Nance O'Neill for years in Shakespearean productions, died at San Francisco.

Eighty men saved their lives by jumping through the windows when trapped by a fire in the sawmill of the Northland Pine company in Minneapolis. Several were injured, but none seriously.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Huntington of Staatsburg, N. Y., announced that the wedding of their daughter, Miss Helen Dinsmore Huntington, and Vincent Astor would be postponed indefi-

As a result of the refusal of Adjt. Gen. Canton of Oklahoma to withdraw state troops from the Tulsa Jockey club's grounds, R. J. Allison, president of the club, announced the abandonment of the race meeting.

Possible basis for appeal of the case of Leo M. Frank, under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan, to the supreme court of the United States was laid in a motion for annulment of his sentence, filed in the superior court.

Five newspaper men, said to be When Joaquin Miller, the Poet of Americans assigned to the federal the Sierras, edited the Eugene Regis- troops, are reported to have been among the prisoners captured at the battle of San Pedro de las Colonias, Mexico.

Four men were killed and two seriously injured at Georgetown, Tex., when a Missouri, Kansas & Texas passenger train crashed into an automobile in which they were driving. The dead are all of Florence, Tex.

The summer home at Seacliffe, N. Y., of Paul D. Cravath, a New York being much heavier than the tons of lawyer, was destroyed by fire. None of the family was at home. The less is estimated at \$250,000.

Harry Kendall Thaw's petition for a writ of habeas corpus was granted by States district court at Concord, N. H. The court said, however, that no order would be issued for prisoner's disappeal.

jury in the district court at Denver, crime the four gunmen paid their Colo., on charges of kidnaping growing out of the deportation on April 5 of Rev. Otis L. Spurgeon of Des Moines, la.

Private reports from Christiania were received that Capt. Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, must have \$200,000 before he can equip his proposed polar expedition.

An American aviator, Cecil Peili, made the first flight from Caracas over the Andez mountains. He landed safely at La Guaira.

In the presence of 27,692 persons. the Terrapins, Baltimore's representatives in the Feleral league, defeated Buffalo at Baltimore by a score of 3 to 2 in the first game of the season.

The constitutionalist capital was established at Chihuahua with the arrival of Gen. Venustiano Carranza, first chief of the revolution, and his staff.

De Lloyd Thompson Tooped the American record at San Francisco of seven loops.

Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven railroad, who last year was arrested on a bench warrant at Bridgeport, Conn., charging him with manslaughter because of deaths in a wreck at Westport, was disthearmy. charged from custody, following a

Pancho Villa's rebel army has met a very determined resistance in its a town which Villa thought he held without dispute.

Ella McClendon of Stordivant, Mo., was found guilty at Cape Girardeau. Mo., on four counts of the indictment charging her with using the mails with intent to defraud. Judge Dyer sentenced her to five years' imprisonment in Leavenworth.

Mrs. Martin Shires was killed and her husband seriously hurt when the automobile driven by her went over a 20-foot embankment at Jolist, Ill.

One-third of the business section of Morning Sun, la., was wiped out by fire. The loss is estimated at \$60,006.

Four hundred plumbers, electriclans, gastitters and marble finishers employed in the construction of a new union railway station in Kansas City laid down their tools when the building trades council ordered a strike as a protest against alleged unfairness on the part of one of the construction firms.

In an engagement between Italian forces and 2,000 rebels near Gedebia, Benghazi, Africa, the Italians routed the enemy after hard fighting; killing 154 of them and wounding many.

Fire in the overcrowded six-story tenement at 741-743 Eighth avenue, New York, killed 11 persons and possibly more, burned many others. Seven charred bodies have been taken from the burned building.

Vincent Astor was much improved, according to announcement made at the country home of his fiancee, Miss Helen Dinsmore Huntington.

Robert Driscoll of Driscoll, Tex., probably the wealthiest stockman in Texas, dies in San Antonio, Tex. He was a multimillionaire.

"Mother" Mary Jones, held as a public. military prisoner in the Walsenburg, Colo., jail, has been released.

Illinois coal operators flatly refused to accede to the demand for higher wages made by the Illinois mine workers. The operators have rejected practically every demand which has been made upon them.

When "Gen." Coxey's "army" completed the first lap of its proposed hike to Washington at Canton; O., the force had dwindled to about 60. Of this number 50 were high school boys who had given Coxey a send-off from his home town. They returned home.

Pitcher Earl Hamilton, who desertbaseball team to join the Kansas City road communication to the City of the St. Louis team.

to furnish supplies to the poor at cost ammunition. is a failure and will be closed at the end of April.

Thomas Mullin of Marion, Ia., a motorman, was killed and 10 persons were injured in a collision between two Marion interurban cars between Cedar Rapids, Ia., and Marion.

John and Joseph D'Angelo, cousins, were shot and killed and Mrs. Frank D'Angelo, Joseph's mother, was dangerously wounded at Boswell, Pa., by an unknown assassin.

cian of St. Joseph. Mo., accused of the murder of W. Putnam Cramer, a Chicago advertising solicitor, in a room-Judge Edgar Aldrich of the United ing hotel in Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 18 last, was postponed to May 18. * * *

Shortly before "Dago Frank" Cirocharge from custody until arrange- fici went to the death chair in Sing ments had been completed to take the Sing prison he told Warden Clancy case to the United States court on that "Gyp the Blood" Horowitz, "Lefty Louis" Rosenberg and Harry Vallon, an informer, fired the shots which Six men were indicted by the grand killed Herman Rosenthal, for which lives.

> Mrs. Young of Genoa, Ill., was killed in a runaway accident. She was on her way home from Sycamore, where Mexican salute. she had been to see her son, John Young, who is in a hospital there.

Dr. C. C. Meredith, a physician, and Miss Lucy D. Orr, a nurse in his employ, arrested several days ago at Pittsburg, Pa., on an alleged charge of malpractice in connection with the death of Mrs. Myrtle Allison assyear ago, and released on bail, were arrested again by the county authorities on a charge of murder.

The McCracken county growers' association will receive 15,000- more strawberry plants from Anna; Ill., next week. This will make a total of 500,000 received. Between 150 and 200 acres of strawberries will be cul tivated by the association.

When fire started in a moving pic ture show at Canton, O., Mme. Louisa Tetrazzini, the famous singer, . who was in the audience stopped a panic loop" eight times at Los Angeles, Cal., by singing. The curtains over an exit breaking Lincoln Beachey's previous caught fire and the audience, composed mostly of women and children, made a rush for the doors.

> Mai. Benjamin R. Koehler of the coast artillery, tried by general courtmartial last month at Fort Terry, N Y., was found guilty of immoral con duct and sentenced to dismissal from

Decatur city commissioners avowed their intention of making the township as "dry as powder." Sale, of liquor for medicinal purposes, or othermove in Saltillo, and for the second wise, will be barred in drug stores, no time has been repulsed at San Pedro, soft-drink parlors will be allowed to operate and shipment of liquor into the city will be probibited.

ARMED FORCE IS READY TO TAKE MEXICO

MEXICAN PARLEY CLOSED WHEN GEN HUERTA REFUSES TO SALUTE FLAG.

TAMPICO AND VERA CRUZ TO BE FIRST PORTS TAKEN

Dictator's Request That U. S. Agree in Writing to Return Salute Is Rejected as Involving Recognition-"Our Terms Unconditional," Wilson's Final Reply to Evasive Messages-Congress Grants President Power to Use Army and Navy and Make Appropriation.

Washington -- Huerta has defred the United States and refused to order a salute of apology to the American flag. That is his answer to President Wilson's ultimatum.

The president in reply appeared before a joint session of congress and asked for authority to use the army and navy to enforce the demands of the United States. This request was granted immediately and orders will be issued for the blockading and seisure of all Mexican ports on the east and west coasts of the southern re-

This movement, while not initself an act of war, is almost certain to involve hostilities and officials in Washington had accepted as inevitable an open declaration of war with Mexico.

Admiral Badger Notified.

The news of Huerta's refusal was flashed by wireless to Admiral Badger, commanding the Atlantic fleet, now hurrying toward Mexico, and to the commanders of the American war ves-

vesis already in Mexican waters. With the passage of the joint resoluntion by the legislative branch orders were given to go forth for immediate action.

The ports of Tampico and Vera Cruz ed the St. Louis American League will be the first to be seized. Rail-Federals, renewed his allegiance to Mexico will be interrupted and an effort will be made to starve Huerta into submission through cutting off his Chicago's municipal store and board customs receipts and his supplies of

Huerta's defiance came after a day of haggling by him. It came after President Wilson had again served notice in the most emphatic terms that his demand for a salute was unconditional. The exact words of the message which the president sent to Secretary Bryan from White Sulphur Springs and which ended all hope on the part of Huerta for a modification of this government's ultimatum were

these: "Tell O'Shaughnessy our terms are The trial of Dr. W. T. Elam, physi- unconditional in every detail." (Signed) WOODROW WILSON.

The vigorous telegram from the president was caused by an eleventhhour demand on the part of Huerta that the United States, through Charge O'Shaughnessy in the City of Mexico should enter into a formel protocol giving him assurance that this government would fire a return salute to the Mexican salute of apol-

ogy. President Wilson informed Huerta that the United States would not give him a single assurance beyond the statement contained in Admiral Mayo's original demand on the Mexican general, which stipulated that an American war vessel would return the

Huerta had signified his willingness to yield his demand for a simultaneous salute provided this government would grant his request for formal assurances as to 21 guns in reply.

Labor Federation Protests War. Chicago, Ill.-Resolution protesting against a deciaration of war with Mexico were adopted by the Chicago Federation of Labor. The resolutions charged that commercial interests are seeking to bring about war and praised President Wilson for his efforts to avoid interference in the Mexican sit-

Offers Regiment of Cowboys.

New York.-Joseph C. Miller, who owns the 101 ranch in Oklahoma, telegraphed to the war department from New York City offering to raise and equip a regiment of rough riders for service in Mexico. He wants to lead his cowboys if there is to be any fighting, and asks for a commission as colonel of volunteers.

Wisdom and Winsomeness. Creeds and philosophies and all knowledge are vanity and folly before the lure of one pink-cheeked lass .-Frederick Niven.

Good for the Country. Speaking of blessings, isn't it a grand thing for this country that the great common people stay in a good humor?—Dalias News.

Daily Thought.

A noble aspiration is a deed thous unachieved.—John Kondrick Bangs.

Moslem Power Increasing. It is a striking fact that there are

5,000,000 more Moslems than Chris-

tians in the British empire. One-sev-

enth of the whole human race is Mos-

The really significant fact, says the Christian Herald, is that the proportion is not at a standstill; it is increasing yearly. There are 60,000,000 Mohammedans in India and the num ber is steadily growing. During the last decade the Moslem population of India increased by 3 per cent, while the total population in India increased that it makes war upon its surround-

showing the onsweep of Islam.

life is war.

inherent worth, that is to say, of his rights are decidedly remote.